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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL Address to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	10/682,630
	Filing Date	October 9, 2003
	First Named Inventor	Policicchio et al.
	Group Art Unit	1744
	Examiner Name	Theresa Snider
	Attorney Docket Number	8346C
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 Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☒ Other PTO/SB08A

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b. ☐ Other _____

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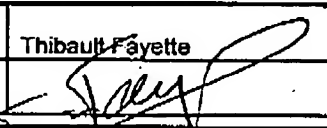
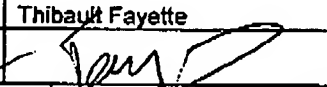
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ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Suspension of action fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i)

iv. ☐ Other _____

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